



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
CORPS OF ENGINEERS, OMAHA DISTRICT
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May 22, 2006

Planning, Programs, and Project Management Division

Mr. Dennis E. Breitzman
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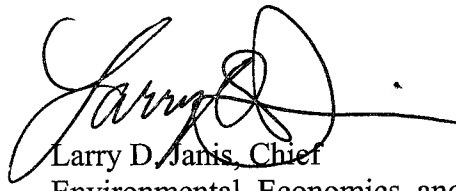
Dear Mr. Breitzman:

We have received your April 7, 2006, letter to Mr. Dan Cimarosti requesting the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) to become a cooperating agency in the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement for the Northwest Area Water Supply (NAWS) Project. As the Corps may have a real estate action to approve in conjunction with the withdrawal of water from Lake Sakakawea, we agree to be a cooperating agency and participate in the NEPA project, as resources allow.

We are currently reviewing the scoping announcement in order to provide comprehensive scoping comments. We will provide these to you in the near future.

Your point of contact with the Corps is Mrs. Candace Gorton (402) 221-4621. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,


Larry D. Janis, Chief
Environmental, Economics, and
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